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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/280,528

Our Docket #E-831

Enclosed please find the Corrected Amendment in response to an Office Action
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In re patent application of:) Date: January 15, 2004
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Serial No.: 09/280,528) Customer No.: 00919
Filed: March 30, 1999) Group Art Unit: 3629
Confirmation No.:) Examiner: Thomas A. Dixon
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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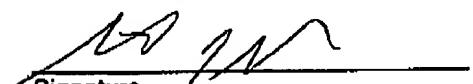
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